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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 6245**  
Mamoru SHOJI et al. : Docket No. 2002\_0276A  
Serial No. 10/078,699 : Group Art Unit 2652  
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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
RECORDING OPTICAL INFORMATION  
INCLUDING DUMMY DATA, AND  
OPTICAL DISK HAVING SUCH DATA  
RECORDED THEREON  
[as amended]

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: